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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT : QATARI ATTITUDES TOWARD OIL PRICE INCREASES TO

COMPENSATE FOR REDUCED US IMPORTS

1. DURING JAN 12 CONVERSATIONS WITH SENIOR GOQ OFFICIALS

INCLUDING OIL MINISTER SHAYKH ABDUL AZIZ AND AMIR'S POLITICAL/  
DIPLOMATIC ADVISOR, DR. HASSAN KAMEL, SENATOR PERCY ASKED FOR  
PLEDGE THAT GOQ WOULD NOT RPT NOT RAISE OIL PRICES TO MAINTAIN  
ITS REVENUES IF US CONSERVATION MEASURES REDUCED US OIL IMPORTS.

2. KAMEL RESPONDED CATEGORICALLY THAT HE WAS SURE AMIR WOULD

CONFIRM HIS VIEW THAT GOQ WOULD NOT RPT NOT RAISE PRICES IN  
RESPONSE TO US CONSERVATION MEASURES SINCE SUCH CONSERVATION  
STRONGLY ADVOCATED BY QATAR AND OTHER OIL PRODUCERS WHICH REGARDED  
PETROLEUM AS THEIR LIMITED AND, IN SOME CASES, ONLY RESOURCE.

3. KAMEL WAS CAREFUL TO SPECIFY, HOWEVER, THAT THIS ASSURANCE  
GIVEN STRICTLY WITHIN CONTEXT OF SENATOR'S PROPOSAL, I.E. REDUCED  
IMPORTS MADE POSSIBLE BY EFFECTIVE CONSERVATION MEASURES IN US.

KAMEL SAID OF COURSE HE WOULD HAVE TO CONFIRM THIS ASSURANCE WITH  
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THE AMIR, BUT HE WAS CERTAIN THAT HIS OWN RESPONSE ACCURATELY

REFLECTED AMIR'S THINKING ON SUBJECT. KAMEL ADDED THAT THERE WERE OF COURSE OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT COULD CAUSE OIL PRICE INCREASES, PRINCIPALLY INFLATION OF COSTS OF WHAT QATAR AND OTHER OIL PRODUCERS PURCHASED.

4. DURING JAN 22 CONVERSATION WITH KAMEL, WE ASKED WHETHER HE HAD CHECKED OUT SENATOR PERCY'S QUERY WITH THE AMIR. HE REPLIED THAT HE HAD AND, AS HE HAD EXPECTED, THE AMIR HAD CONFIRMED HIS ASSURANCE TO SENATOR PERCY.

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